

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Remarks

Applicant has filed an RCE herewith. Claims 6, 8, 10-12, 23-36, 88-90 and 120 were previously cancelled or are cancelled now. New independent means-plus-function claim 125 (supported by claim 113) has been added to more fully describe the claimed invention. New dependent claims 126-132 (supported by claims 62, 114, 116, 62, 114, 116 and 91 respectively) have been added to more fully describe the claimed invention. No new matter is added. Claims 1-5, 7, 9, 13-22, 37-87, 91-119, 121-132 remain for examination.

An electronic IDS was submitted on May 14, 2001. Applicants thank the Examiner for his recent work to complete that form as being considered by the Examiner.

Examiner Interview Summaries

A telephonic Examiner Interview was held between Examiner Bell and Applicant's attorney Charles Lemaire (Reg. No. 36,198) on July 25, 2005. Authorization was given by Charles Lemaire to change the dependency claim 98, from "claim 8" to "claim 7".

A telephonic Examiner Interview was held between Examiner Bell and Applicant's attorney Charles Lemaire (Reg. No. 36,198) on August 2, 2005. Authorization was given by Charles Lemaire to cancel claim 120, since it was a duplicate of claim 105.

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner's diligence, time, and effort put into making these amendments. Applicants have included the changes provided by the Examiner in the claims listed herewith.

If an extension of time is required to enter this Summary, or for any other reason, please consider this a petition for extension of time for the requisite number of months and charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502931.

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Conclusion

An RCE, Supplemental IDS, and 8 new claims are presented. The claims appear to be in condition for allowance, and a notice of allowance after checking the references in the attached IDS is respectfully requested.

A total of 109 claims with 7 independent claims are now pending. This is the same as the maximum number of independent claims previously paid for, and two additional dependent claims than previously paid for. Please charge the Small Entity additional claims fee (\$50) and any additional fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502931.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's Representative at telephone number (952) 278-3501 if there are any questions regarding this communication, or if we can be of assistance in any other way.

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